

Yosemite Today

January 7 - February 4, 2002

Yosemite National Park

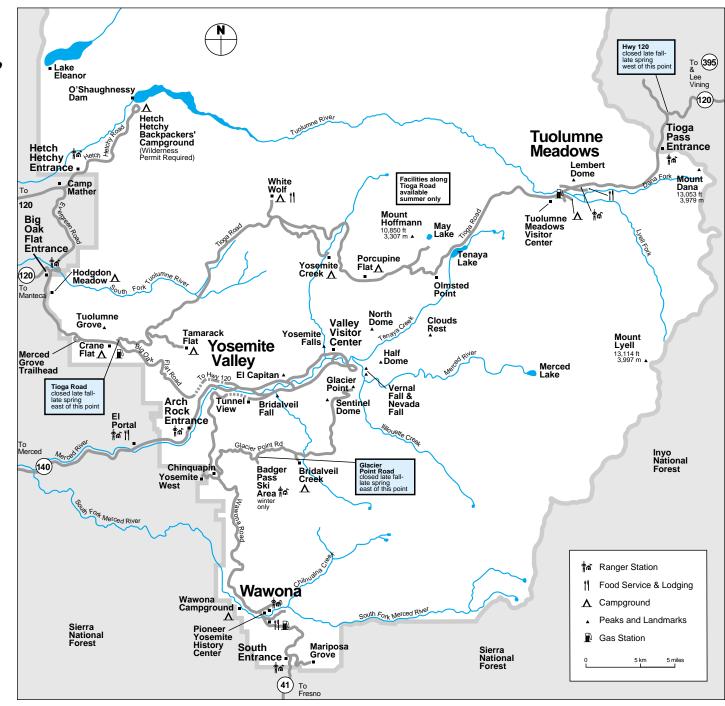
Important Phone Numbers

Emergency 911 (from hotel room 9-911)

Road and Weather/General Park Information 209/372-0200

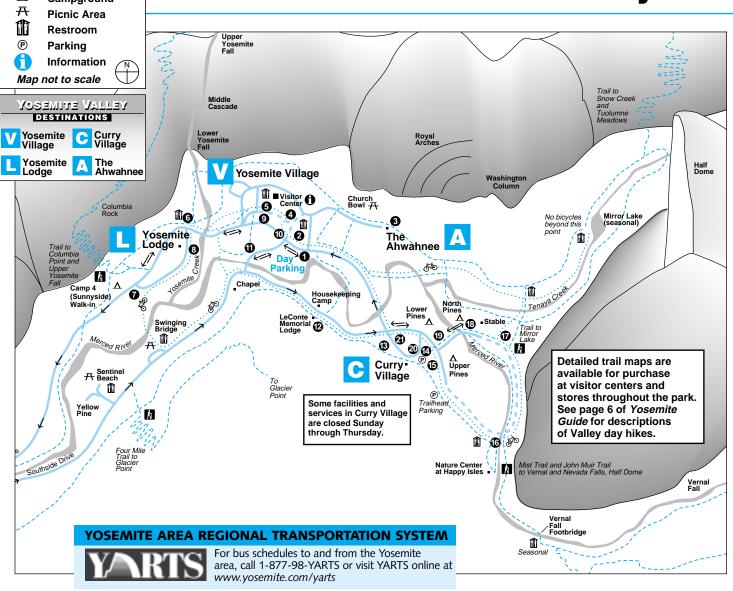
Campground Reservations 800/436-7275

Lodging Reservations 559/252-4848
Ski Conditions 209/372-1000





Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map





Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Schedules and routes may vary.
Shuttle buses operate daily at 20-minute intervals, except during early morning and late evening hours when intervals may be 25 minutes. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

SCHEDULE 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m

- 1 Yosemite Village/Day Parking
- 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Degnan's
- 5 Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall Service ends at 7:30 p.m.
- 7 Camp 4/Yosemite Falls Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge/Yosemite Chapel
- Housekeeping Camp/ LeConte Memorial Lodge
- 13 Ice Skating Rink
- 14 Curry Village
- 15 to 18 Out of Service for Season
 - 19 Lower Pines Campground
 - 20 Curry Village
 - 21 Ice Skating Rink

Scheduled **Events**

Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

YCS = Yosemite Concession Services NPS = National **Park Service** AAG = The Ansel **Adams Gallery** \$ = Programs offered for a fee

Yosemite Valley

11:00am WEE WILD ONES

SUNDAY

1/2 hr. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge fireplace. Stories and surprises geared for children 6 and under (YCS)

1:30pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People 11/2 hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center

7:30pm Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings for venue) (AAG)

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings for venue) (YCS) &

TUESDAY

11:00am CHILDREN'S STORY TIME 1/2 hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. (AAG) 🕹

1:30pm Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls

11/2 hrs. Sentinel Bridge, shuttle stop #11

Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings for venue) (YCS) &

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Indicates programs and facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk-**Explore the Forest in Winter**

2 hrs. Badger Pass A-frame Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes provided, although not recommended for children under 10 yrs. \$

6:30pm Full Moon Snowshoe Walk

(January 27 only) 2 hrs. Reservations required. Sign up in advance at any tour desk. Badger Pass Lodge

NOTE: Walks will be canceled if the Badger Pass Road closes, or if weather conditions are 10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk— **Explore the Forest in Winter**

MONDAY

Evening Program

1:30pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite's Legacy

1-11/2 hrs. Valley Visitor Center &

2 hrs. Badger Pass A-frame Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes provided, although not recommended for children under 10 yrs. \$

6:30pm Full Moon Snowshoe Walk

(January 28 only) 2 hrs. Reservations required. Sign up in advance at any tour desk. Badger Pass Lodge

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Yosemite Valley

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, a wide selection of handcrafts, books, gifts, and photography supplies is available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. &

GALLERY EXHIBIT January 9 - February 4

A Continuing Legacy. This exhibit displays works by contemporary photographers influenced or inspired directly by Adams and his work. Opening Reception 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm., Saturday, January 19.

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include Native Americans and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

Valley Visitor Center

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, and a multilingual One Day in Yosemite program. Wilderness permits available by self-registration. &

NEW FEATURE Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every hour from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's newly renovated West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available.

Yosemite Museum

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. &

FEATURES

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed for lunch. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of basket-weaving, beadwork, and/or traditional games are presented.

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. There is sometimes the opportunity to join Indian Cultural Program staff for demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

Yosemite Winter Theater

Come help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 19th season! The National Park Service recognizes Yosemite Theater as one of the best interpretive programs of its type in the National Park System. Actor Lee Stetson portrays John Muir in The Spirit of John Muir: Stories of Ice and Snow as he delights audiences with tales of Muir's daring winter adventures. Each show is 1-hour. Tickets are \$7/adults, and \$3/children (12 & under). Winter shows are held at the Yosemite Lodge. Check local listings or call the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk at 209/372-1240. Tickets may be purchased at the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk in advance, or if seating is still available, at the time of performance. $\mbox{\cline{L}}$

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Bridget McGinniss Kerr NPS Coordinator Kristina Rylands Design and Production Skip Gaynard Designs **Printing** Casey Printing, Inc. Email comments to YOSE_Guide@nps.gov Above: Glacier Point Apron as seen from Yosemite Valley. NPS Photo



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Wawona

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

Walk across the covered bridge and visit historic buildings out of Yosemite's past. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center will explain how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and throughout the world. The Center is always open, and explanatory signs and brochures are available. &

Badger Pass

Badger Pass, California's oldest operating ski area, is the center of Yosemite ski and snowboarding activity during the winter. It is located at 7,300 feet in elevation and is a 1-hour drive from Yosemite Valley on the Glacier Point Road. There are 10 runs, ski lifts, downhill and cross-country ski schools, ski rentals, and a day lodge; cross-country skiers can utilize groomed and ungroomed trails that originate at Badger Pass; tracks are groomed on the Glacier Point Road all the way to Glacier Point. Wilderness permits available at the Badger Pass A-frame. Call 209/372-1000 for ski conditions.

Badger Pass Bus

Ride the free bus to Badger Pass Ski Area. Road and weather conditions permitting, the bus leaves daily from Curry Village at 8:05 a.m., and 10:35 a.m., Yosemite Village at 8:10 a.m. and 10:40 a.m., The Ahwahnee at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., and Yosemite Lodge at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Return buses leave Badger Pass at 2:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Several buses operate on busy days. Allow at least one hour for a one-way trip. Additional information is available at hotel front desks.

Full Moon Snowshoe Walks

Join an interpreter for a 2-3 mile walk in a moonlit winter wonderland. Watch the moon rise over majestic firs at Badger Pass. No experience necessary; however, this program is not recommended for children under 10 as it is moderately strenuous. Visit a tour desk in Yosemite Valley or call 209/372-1214 or 559/252-4848 for required advance reservations.

Sequoia Groves in Winter

Mariposa Grove

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, located at the southern-most end of Yosemite, is the largest stand of giant sequoias in the park (about 500 trees). Allow 11/4 hours driving time from Yosemite Valley. In winter, the access road to the Grove is closed due to snow. Once the access road is closed, add an extra hour or two for the 2-mile walk from the South Entrance of the park to the Grove. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area; however, many giant sequoias can be seen from there. From the parking area, all trails in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias are uphill. The trailhead is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the Grizzly Giant provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations of these signs are available at the trailhead (German, French, Spanish, Japanese).

Merced Grove

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike or ski into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow about 3 hours for the 4-mile round-trip hike or ski to this small group of sequoias (about 20 trees).

Tuolumne Grove

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road and the Tioga Road. The former route of the old Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile round-trip walk is relatively easy, depending on conditions; however, it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return.



Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. Photo by N.G. Messinger

Park Facilities and Services

ATM

Yosemite Village

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

Yosemite Lodge

Inside main registration area

Curry Village

Inside gift/grocery store

Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

El Portal

On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge (County Bank)

Babysitting

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

Food & Beverage Service

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

Degnan's Delicatessen

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE LODGE Food Court

Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Lunch - 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mountain Room Bar & Lounge

Light menu and snacks - 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The Mountain Room Restaurant

Dinner - Sunday - Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday - Saturday 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

THE AHWAHNEE

Dining Room

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested. Call 209/372-1489

The Ahwahnee Bar 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

BADGER PASS

Skier's Grill - (downstairs)

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Snowflake Room - (upstairs)

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

WAWONA HOTEL

Dining Room Call 209/372-1000 for holiday hours

Gas Stations

Crane Flat

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Wawona

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Groceries

Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Curry Village Gift/Grocery

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Crane Flat Store

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

El Portal Market

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. **Wawona Grocery Store**

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Gifts, Books & Apparel

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

The Ansel Adams Gallery 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Yosemite Bookstore

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Habitat Yosemite Weekends only. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sport Shop

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE LODGE

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Nature Shop 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

THE AHWAHNEE

Gift Shop 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sweet Shop 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

CURRY VILLAGE

Mountain Shop 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

WAWONA

Pioneer Gift Shop 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m

BADGER PASS

Sports Shop 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

Showers & Laundromat

SHOWERS

Curry Village 24 hours

LAUNDROMAT

Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Recycling

Village Store Recycling Center

Noon to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday Bottles and cans may also be returned to place of

purchase or park gas stations **Post Offices**

Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Yosemite Lodge Post Office

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Wawona Post Office

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

El Portal Post Office

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

Village Garage 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed for lunch. Towing

24 hours. Emergency gasoline & propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

Service Organizations

Yosemite Valley: Wednesday 7:00 p.m.,

YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Yosemite Valley: Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday 7:30 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Narcotics Anonymous

Yosemite Valley: Saturday 7:30 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Lions Club

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at noon. The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

Rotary International

Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1016.

*Some facilities and services in Curry Village are closed Sunday through Thursday.

Religious Services

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Inquiries, directions, other services, contact Ron Skelton. 209/379-2307

El Portal Chapel

Worship Service: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

Yosemite Valley Chapel (year-round) **Worship Service**

Sunday 9:15 a.m., Thursday 7:00 p.m. Bible Study for Men, Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Rev. Dennis Alvernaz, Resident Pastor 209/372-4729

Mass in Yosemite Valley

Visitor Center West Auditorium Sunday 10:00 a.m.

CROSSWAY CHURCH

(Christian Protestant) Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428 Asst. Director Marcie Abernathy

Worship Service

Sunday 7:00 p.m., Yosemite Chapel **Bible Study**

Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Girl's Club/Library

EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255

Worship Service Saturday 7:30 p.m., El Portal Chapel (first and third weekends) Sunday 10:30 a.m., El Portal Chapel (second, fourth, and fifth weekends)

WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor David Adamcik 209/966-3039

Wawona Community Center Worship Service Sunday 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 1:00 p.m.



Full moon over Mt. Clark.

Photo by Howard Weamer

General Park Information

Emergency 911

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

Medical

Yosemite Medical Clinic

Emergency care: 24 hours daily **Drop-in and Urgent Care**

Daily 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled Appointments Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care for park employees, residents, and visitors. Experienced nursing staff, emergency physicians, nurse practitioner, and support staff on duty. Services include a limited pharmacy,

lab, x-ray, and physical therapy. 209/372-4637 Paramedic/Ambulance Service

24 hours daily

Dental Services Adjacent to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

5 Services For Disabled

An accessibility brochure is available at park entrance stations and visitor centers.

Wheelchair rental available at Yosemite Medical Clinic, 209/372-4637.

Accommodations

For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.yosemitepark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

Bear Canister Rental

Available for \$3 per trip at the Curry Village Mountain Shop*, Crane Flat Store, and Wawona Store. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

Recreation

Conditions permitting

YOSEMITE LODGE TOUR DESK

(after-hours ticket sales available at front desk) 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE

For advance reservations only, call 209/372-8344

ICE SKATING RINK Shuttle stops #13 and #21.

Monday - Friday 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturday - Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Noon to 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

BADGER PASS SKI AREA

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Downhill Ski Area with Lift Operation, Rental Shop, Badger Pups, Ski Schools, and Cross-Country Center. Call 209/372-1000 for conditions and information.